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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: MISCELLANEOUS

EYES ONLY FOR CHARGE FROM ELIOT

1. MY WORK HERE IS GOING SLOWER THAN I HOPED. I AM NOW
TENTATIVELY PLANNING DEPART NOVEMBER 16 FOR KABUL. WILL
KEEP YOU POSTED.

2. AS YOU KNOW ANDREWS CANNOT GO TO THE PEACECORPS
CLAMBAKE IN KABUL. GUZZETTA WILL HOWEVER. ALSO COMING IS
GEORGE BALDINO IN WHOSE APPOINTMENT AS THE NEW COUNTRY
DIRECTOR I HAVE CONCURRED. BALDINO WILL STAY THROUGH THE
PROGRAMMING CONFERENCE AND THEN RETURN TO ECUADOR TO BREAK
IN HIS SUCCESSOR THERE. HE WILL RETURN TO KABUL TO TAKE OVER
ON DECEMBER 15. EDGELL WILL STAY TO PROVIDE OVERLAP UNTIL
JANUARY. PLEASE DO NOT SPEAK TO EDGELL ABOUT THIS UNTIL HE
HAS TALKED TO ANDREWS ON THE PHONE AND BEEN INFORMED BY
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ANDREWS. ANDREWS HAS ASKED HIM TO CALL TODAY OR TOMORROW.

YOU WILL LIKE BALDINO WHOM I CHECKED OUT ALSO WITH THE
RECENTLY DEPARTED U.S. AMBASSADOR TO ECUADOR.

3. I HAVE HAD A GOOD MEETING WITH GRAHAM'S CHIEF BACK
HERE. THE FIRST SET OF MATERIAL IS BEING PREPARED. IT WILL

BE REVIEWED AT A SENIOR LEVEL HERE BEFORE TRANSMITTAL.
I WILL ALSO WANT TO REVIEW IT. ON THE MILITARY SIDE,
SEWELL TELLS US KHALIQUE WANTS MORE. I HAVE LEFT IT THAT
I WILL DISCUSS THIS WITH WAHEED ON MY RETURN BEFORE WE
DO ANYTHING FURTHER.

4. I HAVE TALKED TO PHIL TALBOT AND TOLD HIM I WILL BE
AWAY DURING HIS VISIT. I THINK YOU SHOULD TRY TO GET
HIM AN APPOINTMENT WITH DAOUD WHOM HE KNEW WHEN HE WAS
ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR NEA.

5. I ALSO HAD A GOOD TALK WITH NOOTER. WE ARE ON THE
SAME WAVELENGTH ON PERSONNEL MATTERS, INCLUDING THE
DIRECTORSHIP AND CRANDALL. ON SUBSTANCE, HE THINKS THE
HELMAND LOAN SHOULD BE ON THE SMALLISH SIZE, SAY DOLS
5 MILLION. PLEASE PASS THIS TO VINCE. IF THERE IS A
PROBLEM, I WILL HAVE TIME TO DISCUSS IT WITH VINCE ON MY
RETURN.

6. RE KENNEDY GUEST LIST, IF YOU, PAT AND CARROLL AGREE,
I AM INCLINED TO KEEP IT SMALL. PERHAPS ONLY HAKIMS,
NOOR ALIS, YOONS, THE IMF MAN AND HIS WIFE, FLOYDS
AND SLIGHS. LET ME KNOW.

7. TELL THE ACTING DCM I AM SORRY I DIDN'T TAKE HIS
BET.

8. GIVE MY LOVE TO PAT. HOPE NURISTAN WAS GREAT. I'M
ENVIOUS. ALSO TELL HER TO ORDER THE SWISS KNIVES FROM
A CATALOG, PERHAPS REI.

9. REGARDS TO YOU, YOUR HAREM AND ALL HANDS. KISSINGER

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